These are not lofty desires, O God, but pure, unvarnished, and honest needs that we lay before You.

You, O Lord, do not change. You are the same yesterday, today, and forever. Your word is alive and enduring. In this may we find hope.

In Your strong and eternal name we pray

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to section 11(a) of House Resolution 188, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentle-woman from Oklahoma (Mrs. BICE) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mrs. BICE of Oklahoma led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. The Chair will entertain up to 15 requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

IT IS TIME TO ACT FOR ALS

(Mr. QUIGLEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. QUIGLEY. Madam Speaker, I rise today in unity with Americans suffering from ALS and their families, who are desperate for effective treatments and, one day, a cure.

I made it my mission to pass the ACT for ALS Act because people with ALS deserve a chance to fight the disease. They deserve a research and development infrastructure that is compassionate today while looking to the future.

My friend, Brian Wallach, who was diagnosed with ALS 4 years ago, told Congress that this fight is the closing argument for his life. I can't look him in the eye and tell him we have to wait. None of us should.

I am profoundly grateful to each and every one of the 325 cosponsors of this bill, as are families impacted by ALS all around the country. This is the most cosponsors of any bill that has not yet gotten a vote in this Congress.

It is time for us to act. It is time to act for ALS.

AMERICA HAS SERIOUS FISCAL PROBLEMS

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, the September 21 Post and Courier of Charleston, South Carolina, editorialized an analysis of the irresponsible Biden tax-and-borrow schemes destroying jobs.

What would you call a neighbor who spent lavishly to redecorate his house but ignored the badly leaking roof? Perhaps foolish, irrational, or just plain dumb.

Now, what would you call a Congress seemingly bent on enacting costly new middleclass entitlements while existing programs are headed for devastating benefit cuts? Some of those same words come to mind.

At the end of August, the Treasury Department issued the annual reports of the trustees for Social Security and Medicare that showed these trust fund programs are on schedule to run out of money

There are very serious fiscal problems, but Congress instead is focusing on legislation to expand entitlements, hurting their children in the long run while millions of our elderly could be thrown into poverty.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, who successfully protected America for 20 years as the global war on terrorism continues moving from Afghanistan to America. Our sympathy to the family of General Colin Powell.

HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF KEVIN HAYS

(Mr. HIGGINS of New York asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. HIGGINS of New York. Mr. Speaker, I rise to honor the life and legacy of Kevin Hays.

Kevin was diagnosed with colorectal cancer at the age of 28. He fought a 7-year battle against it that was courageous and inspiring. He made it his mission to raise awareness about the second leading cause of cancer deaths in America.

Kevin founded the Colon Corps, led the Blue Hope Hard Hat Initiative, and got involved with the American Cancer Society and the National Colorectal Cancer Alliance to promote early detection and screening.

Kevin was a gifted, nationally recognized messenger, charismatic and kind, with a mischievous smile and a great sense of humor.

To his beloved wife, Hilary, and his beautiful family and loved ones, cherish your memories of Kevin and know that there will always be light to guide you from the love he gave you.

I stand here today to recognize the many lives saved thanks to the advocacy of Kevin Hays and to carry his message of love and encouraging colon cancer screening forward.

DEMOCRATS' RADICAL AND COSTLY POLICIES

(Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. WILLIAMS of Texas. Mr. Speaker, President Biden and Democrats are pushing to pass a multitrillion-dollar socialist spending agenda that would

be the largest tax-and-spending increase in our Nation's history. It is, frankly, money we don't have.

At a time when families and businesses are struggling to deal with President Biden's reckless economic policies, the Democrats are pushing to spend trillions more dollars to fund their radical, socialistic, and costly policies.

Just a few of the Democrats' far-left socialist policies will hit small business with a larger tax bill, impose costly Green New Deal mandates that simply won't work, increase our energy dependency on Russia and China, weaponize the IRS to target American families and monitor \$600 per week bank transactions.

I will continue to stand against the Democrats' socialistic tax-and-spend spree that will limit our freedoms, make our country less competitive, and destroy Main Street America. Their agenda is anti-American.

In God we trust.

FUNDING ELECTRIC VEHICLES

(Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. CAROLYN B. MALONEY of New York. Mr. Speaker, we have a choice. We can work to save our planet and become a global leader in green technology, or we can allow our planet to become uninhabitable. We must choose to protect our planet, the only home we have.

Transitioning to electric vehicles will dramatically reduce carbon emissions and will create a cleaner world for our children. That is why my committee approved billions of dollars to transition the Postal Service and GSA fleets to electric vehicles and provide the necessary charging infrastructure across the country in the postal offices.

This will fund more than 300,000 electric vehicles. That is more electric vehicles than were sold across the entire country last year.

I urge my colleagues to support the Build Back Better plan, which includes funding for electric vehicles that will greatly help our environment.

MY CONSTITUENTS MISS PRESIDENT TRUMP

(Mrs. MILLER of Illinois asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. MILLER of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, Americans miss President Donald Trump.

Under the Biden administration, we have a supply chain crisis, an energy crisis, a border crisis, an Afghanistan crisis, and an economic crisis that threatens every bank account and paycheck that we earn.

Americans are scared and losing hope after 9 months of the Biden-Harris administration.

Under President Trump, we had a roaring economy; we had energy independence; our border was secure; and our enemies feared our resolve.